

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA	FORM NO.
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Lexington

ess 45 Percy Road

oric Name Albin Rufus Reed House

Present residential

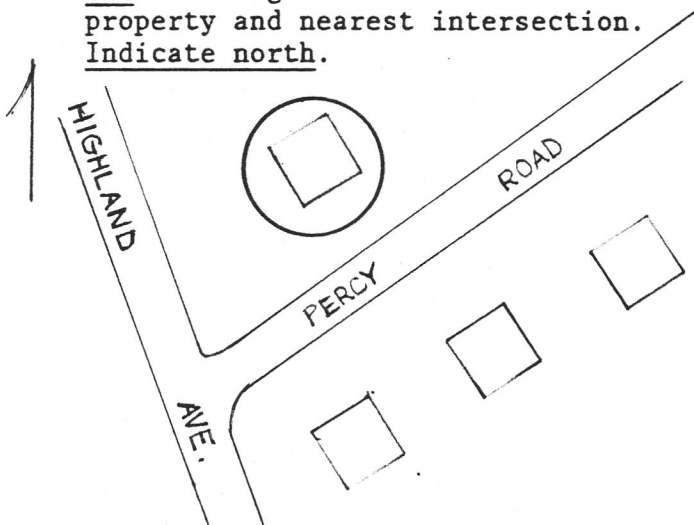
Original residential

SCRIPTION:

1894

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



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Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date March, 1984

Source Hudson, II, p. 573

Style Colonial Revival / Queen Anne

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric clapboards

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 15500 ft.²

Setting Munroe Hill; residential street developed primarily in the 1890s.

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

One of the substantial houses built on Munroe Hill in the 1890s, this house is more frankly Queen Anne (without Shingle Style elements) than many of the others. Important features of the design include bay windows, a broad porch with fluted square columns, a balustrade with decorative urns above the porch, and a central gable with round-headed window trimmed with a distinctive design of radiating T-shaped ornaments.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

The house was built by Albin Rufus Reed, a vocal music teacher in Boston, who first occupied it in June of 1894.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

Hudson, Charles. History of the Town of Lexington, revised and continued to 1912 by the Lexington Historical Society, Volume II, p. 573. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1913.

1894 Directory

1906 Directory

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Town
LEXINGTON

Property Address
45 PERCY ROAD

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The Reed family occupied this house until 1902 when they moved into a new home at 50 Percy Road (#500). Albin Rufus Reed died on Dec. 24, 1904.

It appears that the house was occupied by William Lloyd Garrison and his wife Ellen for several years. The house at 45 Percy Road was later occupied by Hugh McLellan, a lawyer, from about 1915 to at least 1942.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Lexington Directories, various years.
U.S. Census, various dates.

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